MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether acting service in the municipality is a claim for Government service?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No, Sir.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Is there not a rule which says that service in municipalities should be considered by Government?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not think so.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): At the time during which those appointments were effected, was there not a contribution by the municipality to Government in respect of the services?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): If the services of an officer of Government are lent to a municipality that municipality pays pension and leave contribution to Government.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): My question is, at the time these officers were appointed, was there not a pensionary contribution made by the municipality to the Government?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I think so.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Then is it not the duty of the Government to see that the disbanded hands are provided in other municipalities?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, Sir. That is why the Government have asked all the municipalities to report to Government the vacancies that may arise from time to time.

Acquisition of lands at Poovar.

252. ✻MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is a proposal to acquire some of the lands belonging to the Mahomedans at Poovar in the Neyyattinkara taluk and hand them over to the Latin Christian or other communities and if so, how and when such proposal originated, together with detailed information regarding the same?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes. The Government have sanctioned the acquisition of an extent of 3·65 acres of land in the Thirupuram *pakuthi*, Neyyattinkara taluk, for the purpose of putting up houses for the Catholic fishermen of Poovar. The proposal originated on an application received from Fr. I. Gonsalves, Parish Priest of Poovar, on behalf of these men and the sanction was accorded by Government after necessary enquiries.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether this land was under the ownership and long occupation of the muslim residents of the place?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes. The lands belong to muslims.

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MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether there is not any other unoccupied land available for this purpose?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): That is the land selected after inspection by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Director of Agriculture and the Division Peishkar.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Are there no *poramboke* lands available in the neighbourhood?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I claim notice.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether there was any complaint from the Mahomedans of that area in regard to this matter?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I have no information.

Police Out-post at Kanjiramcolam in the Neyyattinkara taluk.

253. *MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received representations from the people for the establishment of a police out-post at Kanjiramcolam in the Neyyattinkara taluk, and, if so, what action was taken by Government?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): No.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether there was any report from the subordinates of the department stating the necessity for establishing an out-post?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): No, Sir.

Anti-Indian agitation in Ceylon.

254 *MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is a fact that there is an anti-Indian agitation in Ceylon against the Malayalees in Ceylon; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they have taken any steps to protect and safeguard the interests of the Malayalees there?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Government of India have been addressed through the Agent to the Governor-General with a view to protect the interests of the Malayalee residents in Ceylon.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know when this Government addressed the Government of India?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): On the 7th October 1936.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether any reply has been received by this Government, and if so what?

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